

### KEY DATES TERM 3

Monday 17 to Friday 21 July	Matariki week (starting with Puanga on Monday)
Thursday 20 July	Matariki celebration community evening including Hāngī
Wednesday 2 August, 7:00pm	Board Meeting - Staffroom
Friday 4 August	Whakatau - <i>formally welcoming new families</i>
Tuesday 8 August	Year 4 Swimming Sports - Keith Spry Pool
Tuesday 8 August, 6 - 7pm	Rāroa Intermediate Y6 parent information evening
Wednesday 9 August, 9 - 10:30am	Rāroa Intermediate - open day for parents
Wednesday 16 August, 1:40pm	New Parents Information Seminar - Staffroom
Friday 18 August	Northern Zone Swimming - Wgtn Regional Aquatic Centre
Friday 25 August	Daffodil Day
Friday 1 September	<b>STAFF ONLY DAY</b>
Friday 8 September, 8 - 9:00am	New Families Breakfast
Wed 13 - Fri 15 September	Scholastic Book Fair, Rooms 1-3

### Tēnā koutou Families

Thank you for all the lovely messages wishing me well for my time away. I had the most lovely surprise today when the whole school farewelled me with amazing singing. It was a very well kept secret, I had no inkling of the planning which is definitely unusual!

I'm looking forward to the learning I'm embarking on, as well as a break! My third mokopuna is due any time so my first port of call is Melbourne at the start of term. I'm grateful to be able to spend some time helping out and enjoying a precious newborn baby girl. This will also give me a chance to visit some schools to help with my research. A visit to Auckland will give me time with my other two mokopuna and to visit schools there. I have a job list a mile high and intend to spend some time sewing, crafting, motorbike riding and gardening. It will go fast!

I felt so proud of our school at our Piki ki te Tūi mural opening on Monday - what an amazing outcome to this Creatives in Schools project. If you haven't already seen the article in the Independent Herald, you can see it [here](#).

A heartfelt thank you for the staff appreciation morning tea this week. We are always so very grateful for the delicious food that you send in. Thank you to the PTA for organising this special treat each term.

Ngā mihi nui

Raewyn Watson, Te Tumuaki



## PTA NEWS

### We need your recipes

We are excited to be creating a Community Cookbook with funds raised going towards building the new Nature Playground at Ngaio School.

# Ngaio Community Cookbook



## Expression of Interest

**What springs to mind when you think of your favourite recipe? Would you share it for our fundraising cookbook? Think treasured family recipe, a go-to, childhood memory or crowd pleaser.**

This is wider than Ngaio school, so if you know an amazing local cook or baker, shoulder tap them to contribute! All you have to do right now is let us know you have an idea by clicking the link below and we'll come back to you in early Term 3 with the form to complete. Easy!



Click here to register your interest:

<https://forms.gle/KdeDu5LMuWYa71d39>



We would love you to be involved! Over the holidays think about your tried, true, and treasured recipes and encourage Ngaio friends or anyone in our extended community to contribute too. Let us know if you're keen to contribute by clicking [here](#).

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## Community Notices

**The Onslow College Junior A Basketball Team**, is offering PRIMARY SCHOOL children, in the Onslow / Johnsonville area, BASKETBALL COACHING.  
(see attached flyer).

This is part of the Onslow Junior A Basketball fundraising to go Lower North Island Regional (top) Schools tournament in Napier.

The team is coached by a Local Onslow area Primary School "old boy" Alexander O'Donnell ... who is also "Head Coach" for this Primary Schools Coaching session (utilising his Junior A players).

Alexander is coaching alongside Brendan Polyblank (NZ Tall Black & 9-year professional basketballer in Europe).

Aside = (No Limits Ballers Basketball Club / Academy in Khandallah):

Brendan & Alexander also run the "No Limits Ballers" Basketball Club / Academy through Nairnville Rec Centre in Khandallah. This is the only basketball coaching academy in the whole of the Western Suburbs.

They currently run weekly training for Years 7-8 Intermediate School and Years 9-10 Junior High School. Next term this is potentially to be extended to Years 5-6 Primary School.

Email: [NoLimitBallers@yahoo.com](mailto:NoLimitBallers@yahoo.com) (attn: Brendan Polyblank)

Aside = (Mini-Ball ref):

Alexander (also known as ZeeZee) referees Ngaio team Mini-Ball games at Nairnville Rec Centre. He may be familiar to your basketballers.

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**Ngaio Brownies** currently has space to take more girls aged 7-9 1/2 years keen to join in on the fun that GirlGuiding NZ has to offer.

We offer a non-competitive learning environment which is open-minded and values-based. It's a supportive place to grow confident, adventurous girls ready to be tomorrow's leaders. We offer a programme where the girls themselves have a say in the activities they get to participate in and offer experiences like camps, crafts and real life experiences rewarding them with badges as they learn new skills.

To register your interest and find out more about our rewarding programme complete the form found here: [Register Your Interest - GirlGuiding New Zealand - You be the Guide! \(girlguidingnz.org.nz\)](https://www.girlguidingnz.org.nz/register-your-interest)

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**The Wellington City Libraries Big Book Sale 2023** is taking place at St Patrick's College Hall (581 Evans Bay Parade, Kilbirnie), from the 7<sup>th</sup> to the 10<sup>th</sup> of July, 10am-4pm daily. Browse a selection of pre-loved books, CDs, DVDs, songbooks and music scores, comics, magazines, and more – we'd love for them all to find loving new homes. With prices as low as 3 items for \$1 (for marked collections), it's the perfect opportunity to bag a bargain or find a hidden gem. We'd love to see you there!"

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During the school holidays **KidzStuff Theatre for Children is presenting *Shalakazap!***

Written by Jenny Wake, Directed by Amalia Calder

*What: Shalakazap!*

*When: 1st - 8th July 2023*

*Where: Tararua Tramping Club, 4 Moncrieff Street, Mt Victoria, Wellington*

*Times: Weekdays 10am & 11:30am, Saturdays 10am, no show Sundays*

*Tickets \$13.50pp, Family pass (4 tickets) \$50.00, Children under 2 Free*

*Bookings: [www.kidzstufftheatre.co.nz](http://www.kidzstufftheatre.co.nz)*

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